GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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EXPORT OF DEER`S HORN
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have banned the export of deer's horn;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor indicating the policy of the Government in this regard;

(c) the total income earned from the export of deer horn during the last five years;

(d) whether any proposal is under consideration of the Government for lifting the ban on the said export; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The export of shed antlers, manufactured articles and shavings of shed antlers was banned by the Government with effect from 4.8.1998 after several instances of illegal procurement by shed antler dealers came to the notice of the Central Government.

(c) As informed by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, no firm data on export earnings from deer antler is available. However, export ceiling of 120 MT of manufactured articles of shed antlers and 180 MTs of shavings of shed antlers was released during the year 1997-98.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.